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OPEN TO ALL.
THE CIRCULATION OF THE
EVENING EDITION
OF
THE WORLD
for the week ending Saturday, Feb. 25,
was as follows:

MONDAY.....	89,520
TUESDAY.....	87,700
*WEDNESDAY.....	75,540
THURSDAY.....	92,380
FRIDAY.....	92,780
SATURDAY.....	86,480

*Holiday.

LET THE LAW STAND.
Hurry up and hurry in the petitions against the repeal of the Saturday Half-Holiday Law. The EVENING WORLD has already received many and long lists of names signed to the petition out from its columns. When working people by the thousands take the trouble to do this, it is plain proof that they are very much interested in preventing the repeal of the law.

The Legislature reassembles to-day. If it respects public opinion it will keep its hands off the Half-Holiday Law. If it does not, its members will hear from the voters later.

A HITTING STRIKE.
When the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers strikes it strikes to hit, and it generally hits, because the blow is decided on only after all other measures to secure justice have failed, and the weapon of last resort is taken up as the result of intelligent and careful deliberation.

Chief Arthur has shown equal conservatism and sagacity in his management of the affairs of the Brotherhood hitherto and that he gives his consent to the strike on the Burlington road will go far to convince the country that there is sufficient justification for it.

Combined capital will snicker in its sleeve if differences between labor organizations shall lead to the failure of this strike.

STILL RISING.
THE SUNDAY WORLD's high-water mark is not a mere "grown" scratch," denoting some after-election freshet of bygone years.

It moves higher and still higher, and never recedes below the quarter-of-a-million figures. Yesterday the circulation touched the highest point yet: 277,250 copies.

And there are more Sundays and greater triumphs ahead! Before the June issue we expect to see THE SUNDAY WORLD's circulation 300,000.

CONJUGAL POLITENESS.
It is pleasant to read that when the President's wife stepped from the car at the end of their homeward journey her husband helped her to alight and received "a smiling acknowledgment of his gallantry."

The President, it is said, "is growing more and more fastidious in the observance of these little courtesies towards his wife, and her evident pleasure in receiving his loving attentions is delightful to behold."

This is an excellent example to all married people. No woman ever outgrows her appreciation of polite attentions from her husband; and if she remembers always to acknowledge them it renders the exchange of courtesies an object-lesson in good breeding and true-heartedness.

Politeness that does not outlast the honeymoon is only veneering.

AN ADVERTISING TEST.
The test of the value of the leading daily papers as advertising mediums, made by A. H. King & Co., the clothiers, showed that THE WORLD secured them 350 customers, the Herald 122, the Tribune 121, the Sun 119, the Times 84, the Journal 53, THE EVENING WORLD 51, the Evening Sun 29.

All similar competitive tests have resulted in showing the incomparable superiority of THE WORLD as a medium for reaching the people. Figures tell—facts weigh.

The customers secured through the advertisement in THE EVENING WORLD outnumbered, it will be observed, nearly two to one those obtained through the Evening Sun.

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WEALTH AND LABOR.
"For Labor taught but labor is,"
No wealth would have the law,
And make each laborer but a slave
To feed his greedy maw.

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But for himself he'd try to make
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The Story of a Trunk Murder.

When
Thomas S. Brennan,
note a Commissioner of Public Charities and Corrections, was Warden at Bellevue.

PART I.

[WRITTEN EXPRESSLY FOR THE EVENING WORLD.]

ONE of the freight

handlers and workmen

at the Hudson River

Depot were disturbed

one August morning in the year

1871 by a violently bad

odor. It was a peculiar,

sickening stench,

which was recognized

as the effluvia of cor-

rupting human remains.

Curiosity was greatly aroused as to the

source of the dreadful stench. It was finally

traced, so to speak, to a large trunk which

had been left at the station to be sent to a

Western city, Chicago or St. Louis. I forgot

which.

It was decided to open the trunk and see

what it contained. The lid was pried open.

A ghastly sight was revealed. The decom-

posing corpse of a young and beautiful

woman was found lying on its right side, the

knees and the upper part of the body being

doubled up so as to admit of its being packed

in the trunk.

The trunk and its horrible contents were

brought to the Morgue. At this time I was

Warden at Bellevue Hospital. It was a posi-

tion which brought me in contact with the

tragic in life so frequently that it almost be-

came a commonplace. But the sight of this

young woman, who was not more than

twenty years of age and very good-looking,

packed away in that cheap trunk was an agi-

tating one. The story told itself too clearly.

In the weakness of her soul and the strength

of her passion this young girl had rushed to

her ruin. Then some effort to conceal the

light upon her fate had cut her blooming

womanhood down, and the authors of

her death, and doubtless of her wreck as

well, had resorted to this expedient to rid

themselves of her troublesome complaint.

It seemed to me an eloquent comment on

the inevitable retribution which follows on

moral disorder, and was one more pointed

example of the truth there is in the trite

saying: "The way of the transgressor is

hard."

The first pastor was the Rev. George A. J.

Wilson, who was also Superior of the con-

vent, a four-story building which was erected

in the rear of the church. Since his time

several of the members of the order have

held the office of pastor, including the very

Rev. Michael D. Lilly, who is now the

provincial and pastor. He was formerly pastor

from 1871 to 1877, when he was succeeded by

the Rev. Joseph H. Slinger.

A society established in the parish of St.

Vincent Ferrer is the Third Order of St.

Dominic, which is composed of persons living

in the world, who observe a strict and

influential for the church in society. There

are also connected with the church a Con-

ference of St. Vincent de Paul, the Society of

St. Mary of the Holy Rosary, the Society of

St. Thomas, or the Angelic Warfare, the

Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and the

Christian Doctrine Association.

One of the special branches of work among

the fathers of this order are the missions

which they undertake in the different

parts of the world, and at the convent of St. Vincent

Ferrer there are several who are set apart for

this particular department of religious work.

The present members of the convent, besides

the provincial, the very Rev. Mother D.

Lilly, are the Revs. Sister A. Clarkson, O.

P. J. H. Moagher, O. P. J. P. Devereux, O.

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comen, was a Dominican, a Domin-

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white-robed order

never had a church in

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The headquarters of

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try were established

in the West early in

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